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SUBJECT: QUESTION TAKEN AT MARCH 7 PRESS BRIEFING

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF QUESTION TAKEN MARCH 7 AND REPLY
POSTED MARCH 8, TRANSMITTED FYI:

QUESTION: WHEN YOU SAY THAT THE RHODESIAN RAID INTO
ZAMBIA "RUNS THE RISK OF WIDENING THE WAR," ARE YOU RE-
FERRING TO THE SUPERPOWERS?

ANSWER: SUCH ATTACKS, TAKING PLACE ON THE TERRITORY OF
STATES WHOSE MILITARY FORCES HAVE NOT YET BEEN DIRECTLY
ENGAGED IN THE FIGHTING, CAN CLEARLY LEAD TO ESCALATED
HOSTILITIES. OUR CONCERN IS THAT NEW OUTBREAKS OF
VIOLENCE, AND PARTICULARLY CROSS-BORDER ATTACKS LIKE
THIS ONE, ONLY MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT TO ATTAIN A PEACEFUL
SETTLEMENT IN RHODESIA. VANCE

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